Dual and Duel

The words dual and duel may sound similar, but they have very different meanings.

**Dual** means double, duplicate, or consisting of two parts.

**examples:** Eve’s kitchen table served a dual purpose as a place to eat and a place to do her homework.
Srikanth holds dual citizenship in India and Australia.

**A duel** is a dangerous contest between two people in order to claim honor.

**examples:** The cowboys prepared to face off in a duel.
There must be another way to solve this dispute than a duel.

Write the word dual or duel in each blank to correctly complete the sentence.

1. Claire holds ______________________ citizenship in Ireland and France.
2. My notebook serves a ______________________ purpose as a planner and a journal.
3. The pirate challenged his foe to a _____________________.
4. The two young men fought in a ______________________.
5. Mrs. Sanchez has a ______________________ role as a fourth and fifth grade teacher.
6. The hot-tempered man challenged the stranger to a ______________________.
7. A futon fulfills a _____________________ purpose as a couch and a bed.
8. My little brother challenged me to a ______________________.
9. Casey plays a ______________________ role in the school play.
10. Jenna’s winter jacket serves a ______________________ purpose: it keeps her warm and dry.
The words dual and duel may sound similar, but they have very different meanings.

**Dual** means double, duplicate, or consisting of two parts.

Examples: Eve’s kitchen table served a dual purpose as a place to eat and a place to do her homework. Srikanth holds dual citizenship in India and Australia.

**Preview**

Please log in to download the printable version of this worksheet.

9. Casey plays a dual role in the school play.

10. Jenna’s winter jacket serves a dual purpose: it keeps her warm and dry.